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Dear Dr. Peso:

In a recent letter, Dr. Edwards mentioned your experimental work in his laboratory. I regret that your early departure will make it difficult to discuss these problems at closer hand. My student, Mr. Norton Zinder has been in New York this week, but will probably have returned by the time you receive this. You might be able to communicate with him via Professor Ryan in the Zoology Department at Columbia, or at 2850 Claflin Ave., the Bronx. Dr. Hattie Alexander at Babies Hospital also knows a little of our work.

Mr. Zinder and I are writing a paper on the Salmonella transductions, probably to be sent to the Journal of Bacteriology. We shall save a reprint for you, and an abstract is enclosed. I should be interested to hear of your own experiences.

By the way, do you happen to have any information on the H-specific bacteriophages concerning which I had written Dr. Rakieten (I have not yet received a reply from him)?

Yours sincerely,

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